SENATE BILL 675 By Cooper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 10, relative to campaign finance.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-10-105, is amended by deleting subsection (h) and by substituting instead the following:

(h) During the period beginning at twelve o'clock (12:00) midnight of the tenth (10th) day prior to a primary, general, runoff or special election or a referendum and extending through twelve o'clock (12:00) midnight of such election or referendum day, each candidate or political campaign committee shall electronically or by telegram, facsimile machine, hand delivery or overnight mail delivery file a report with the registry of election finance or the county election commission, whichever is required by subsections (a) and (b) of:

(1)

(A) The full name and address of each person from whom the candidate or committee has received and accepted a contribution, loan or transfer of funds during such period and the date of the receipt of each contribution in excess of the following amounts: a committee participating in the election of a candidate for any state public office, five thousand dollars (\$5,000); or, a committee participating in the election of a candidate for any local public office, two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500). If the committee is participating in the election of candidates for offices with different reporting amounts, the amount shall be the lowest for any candidate in whose election the committee is

participating or in which any committee is participating to which it makes or from which it receives a transfer of funds; and

- (B) Such report shall include the amount and date of each such contribution or loan reported, and a brief description and valuation of each in-kind contribution. If a loan is reported, the report shall contain the name and address of the lender, of the recipient of the proceeds of the loan, and of any person who makes any type of security agreement binding such person or such person's property, directly or indirectly, for the repayment of all or any part of the loan.
- (2) Each report required by this subsection (h) shall be filed within twenty-four (24) hours after the time the contribution or loan is received. If such time falls other than during regular working hours, then the report shall be filed after the opening of the office of the registry of election finance or the county election commission, whichever is required by subsections (a) and (b), on the next working day after the time at which the report is otherwise due.
- (3) The registry shall develop appropriate forms for the report required by this subsection and make such forms available to the candidates and the county election commissions.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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